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1. FOR OSLO: EMB MAY WISH TO INFORM ITS CONTACTS OF THE FOLLOWING. WE WILL INFORM MINISTER EVENSEN THIS WEEK THAT
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WE ARE PLEASED THAT PLANS ARE BEING MADE FOR FURTHER

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EVENSEN GROUP MEETINGS DURING THE INTERSESSIONAL PERIOD. HOWEVER, WE FEEL STRONGLY THAT IT WOULD BE MOST PRODUCTIVE TO CONCENTRATE ON SPECIFIC RESOLUTION OF CERTAIN PROBLEMS AND UNWISE FOR EVENSEN GROUP TO DEAL WITH FULL RANGE OF SUBJECTS CONSIDERED BY SECOND COMMITTEE. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE A WASTE OF VERY LIMITED TIME AVAILABLE FOR PRODUCTIVE NEGOTIATION AND QUITE POSSIBLY DAMAGING TO CONFERENCE, TO SEE COMMITTEE II NEGOTIATING TEXT AS A WHOLE OPENED UP TO GENERAL DEBATE PARTICULARLY IN AN OPEN-ENDED GROUP SUCH AS THAT ENVISAGED. WE AGREE WITH PROPOSAL THAT EVENSEN GROUP SHOULD CONTINUE TO CONSIDER DEFINITION OF CONTINENTAL MARGIN AND LANDLOCKED AND DISADVANTAGED STATE'S RIGHTS. WE FEEL PARTICULARLY STRONGLY THAT DEBATE ON STRAITS AND ARCHIPELAGOS, HOWEVER, COULD JEOPARDIZE PROGRESS MADE IN GENEVA. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT FIRST MEETING OF EVENSEN GROUP DEAL WITH SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND MARINE

POLLUTION AND THE SECOND WITH DEFINITION OF THE MARGIN AND LANDLOCKED STATE'S RIGHTS. WE SUGGEST THAT QUESTION OF HOLDING A MEETING ON DEEP SEABEDS BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE EVENSEN GROUP.

2. FOR PARIS AND TOKYO: PLEASE INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS OF SUBSTANCE OF ABOVE, AND SUGGEST THAT THEY MAKE SIMILAR POINTS, PARTICULARLY REGARDING STRAITS AND ARCHIPELAGOS.

3. FOR LONDON AND MOSCOW: NO ACTION REQUESTED AS WE WILL RAISE MATTER WITH HOST GOVERNMENT EXPERTS DIRECTLY.

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